

## CHAPTER 4. FOREIGN AIR CARRIERS AND FOREIGN OPERATORS OF U.S.-REGISTERED AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN COMMON CARRIAGE

### SECTION 6. SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHT CREWMEMBER CERTIFICATES

#### 327. APPLICABILITY.

A. Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) 61.77 and 63.23 provide requirements for the issuance of special purpose pilot and flight engineer/flight navigator certificates, respectively. The special purpose certificate is issued on the basis that the foreign flight crewmember holds, among other things, a current foreign certificate or license issued by the state of the foreign employer. A special purpose certificate allows the holder to perform appropriate flight crewmember duties on a United States (U.S.)-registered civil airplane leased by any foreign air carrier or foreign person on flights between foreign countries and in foreign air commerce.

B. The special purpose flight crewmember certificate is only valid while the holder is employed by a foreign air carrier or a foreign person and is acting as a required flight crewmember on a leased U.S.-registered airplane during flights between foreign countries in foreign air commerce. The special purpose flight crewmember certificate is only valid during operations carrying persons or property for compensation or hire. The eligibility and limitations of special purpose flight crewmember certificates are specified in FAR §§ 61.77(b), 63.23(b), 61.77(d), and 63.23(d).

C. Special purpose flight crewmember certificates only apply for the operation of airplane types that have a passenger seating configuration of more than 30 seats, including any required flight crewmember seat, or a maximum payload capacity (as defined in Special Federal Aviation Regulations (§FAR) 38-2) of more than 7,500 pounds. Foreign flight crewmembers seeking to operate any smaller U.S.-registered airplane, or any U.S.-registered aircraft of any other category (regardless of size) should petition for an exemption from FAR 61.77(a) or 63.23(a), as appropriate, in order to obtain special purpose flight crewmember certificates.

**329. FORMS, ISSUANCE, AND DISPOSITION.** The application forms and documentation required to show that an applicant is eligible for the issuance or

renewal of special purpose flight crewmember certificates are identified in the “Applicant Presents” column in figure 2.4.6.1. Applications for flight crewmembers employed by foreign air carriers shall be mailed or delivered to the Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) that issued operations specifications to the foreign air carrier. Applications for flight crewmembers not employed by a foreign air carrier shall be mailed or delivered to the FSDO having geographic responsibility for the foreign operator. The inspector who receives a formal application for a special purpose flight crewmember certificate will examine the application and necessary documentation. When satisfied that the applicant meets the eligibility requirements, the inspector will complete FAA Form 8060-4, “Temporary Airman Certificate.” The duplicate certificate and the supporting documentation identified in the column headed “Applicant Receives from the Inspector” in figure 2.4.6.1. will then be returned or mailed to the applicant. The inspector also will mail, to AVN-460, copies of the forms specified in the column headed “Inspector Sends to Certification Branch, AVN-460.” For more detailed information on the issuance of special purpose flight crewmember certificates, refer to volume 5.

**331. TERMINATION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHT CREWMEMBER CERTIFICATES.** Special purpose flight crewmember certificates terminate when any of the following conditions occur:

- When the lease agreement applicable to U.S.-registered aircraft expires
- When the foreign airman certificate or license or medical documentation is suspended, revoked, or no longer valid
- When the certificate holder (pilots only) reaches the age of 60
- Twenty-four months after the month in which the special purpose flight crewmember certificate was issued

**333. SURRENDER OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHT CREWMEMBER CERTIFICATES.** FAR §§ 61.77(f) and 63.23(f) require the holder of a special purpose flight crewmember certificate to surrender the certificate to the appropriate FAA field

office within 7 days after the date it terminates. Each certificate surrendered to the Administrator shall be mailed to AVN-460.

**334.-338. RESERVED.**

**FIGURE 2.4.6.1.  
SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHT CREWMEMBER CERTIFICATES**

<b>Applicant Presents to the Inspector</b>	<b>Applicant Recieves from the Inspector</b>	<b>Inspector Sends to Certification Branch, AVN-460</b>
FAA Form 8410-2 or FAA Form 8710-1 or FAA Form 8400-3		FAA Form 8410-2 or FAA Form 8710-1 or FAA Form 8400-3
Copy or original of valid foreign pilot, flight engineer, or flight navigator certificate or license, as appropriate, issued by ICAO member state.	Foreign License or Certificate	Copy of valid foreign pilot, flight engineer or flight navigator certificate or license, as appropriate, issued by ICAO member state
Certification by lessee of aircraft	Certification by lessee of aircraft	
Evidence of medical qualification	Evidence of medical qualification	
Documentation of under age 60 for pilot's certificate	Age documentation	
	Duplicate copy of the FAA Form 8060-4	Original of the FAA Form 8060-4

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